

Story 38 Jesus Is Betrayed

A Bible Story from the Books of Matthew, Mark, Luke, & John





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A Guide to Using the Stories in the Open Bible Stories

The Reason For The Stories

The stories in the OBS tell about things that happened in the Bible. However, the stories are shorter than the Bible accounts, and the language is often easier to understand. The stories can help people learn about who God is and about what he has done. Also, each paragraph of a story has an image that can help people understand what happened in Bible times when clothing, houses, and culture were very different than they are today.

How to Use The Stories

- Choose a story to read. The stories will be easier to understand if you read the stories in order, beginning with the first story
- Read the story. In a group, one person may read the story aloud, or the people may take turns reading portions.
- Look at the images. Use the images to help you understand what happened in the time of the story. Try to identify the people in the images.
- Refer to the Notes. Read the study notes whenever there is a word or something else that you do not understand in the story.

• Discuss the Questions. Read each question and think about the answer. The first set of questions help you see what the story says. The next set of questions help you think about what the story means to you. If you are in a group, allow different people to offer answers to the questions. Look at the answer to each question and see how it is the same as your answer, or different from it.

• Read the Summary. Read the story summary at the end of the questions. Think about what you have learned about God in the story. If you are in a group, ask the group what they have learned from the story.

The Parts of The Stories

- The text of the stories
- The images in the stories
- The study notes in the stories
- The questions for the stories

Study Notes

Slide 1

Every year, the Jews celebrate Passover. This was a celebration of how God had saved their ancestors from slavery in Egypt many centuries earlier. About three years after Jesus first began preaching and teaching publically, Jesus told his disciples that he wanted to celebrate this Passover with them in Jerusalem and that he would be killed there.

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Slide 2

One of Jesus' disciples was a man named Judas. Judas was in charge of the apostles' moneybag, but he often stole money. After Jesus and the disciples arrived in Jerusalem, Judas went to the Jewish leaders. He offered to betray Jesus by identifying him to the authorities in exchange for money. He knew that Jewish leaders did not accept Jesus as the Messiah. He knew that they wanted to kill him.



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Slide 3

The Jewish leaders, led by the high priest, paid Judas <u>30</u> <u>silver coins</u> to betray Jesus by handing him over to them. This happened just as the prophets said it would. Judas agreed, took the money, and went away. He began looking for an opportunity to help them arrest Jesus.

30 silver coins - Each of these coins were worth about four days' wages.

